

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-06-6-1

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OCTOBER 24, 2016 EL PASO COUNTY ANIMAL REGULATIONS ORDER OF THE EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT, AND ANY LAWFULLY ADOPTED SUCCESSOR ORDERS AND ANIMAL REGULATIONS, AND AUTHORIZING THE EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO ENFORCE THE SAME AND ANY ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL ANIMAL REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE OF VINTON WHICH ARE CONSISTENT THEREWITH AND DESIGNATING THE LOCAL RABIES CONTROL AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the County of El Paso, Texas ("County of El Paso") and the Village of Vinton have entered into an Interlocal Agreement for Animal Control Services dated January 24, 2017 ("Interlocal Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement provides for the County of El Paso to provide for certain animal control services to the Village of Vinton which are necessary for the advancement of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Vinton and also to protect the health safety and general welfare of animals kept in the Village. These services include, but are not limited to, investigating citizen complaints, enforcement of County and/or State rules and laws pertaining to animals, impoundment of stray animals, investigation of animal bite reports, quarantine of animals involved in bites, investigation of allegations of animal cruelty, the euthanasia of animals as necessary, participation in the County's trap-neuter-return program for cats, periodic free and/or low cost spay/neuter events for low income residents, data collection and monthly reporting on animal control activities in the Village of Vinton; and

WHEREAS, in order for the County of El Paso to provide the services called for under the Interlocal Agreement, the Village of Vinton must adopt and make applicable the October 24, 2016 El Paso County Animal Regulations Order of the El Paso County Commissioner's Court ("the Order"), and any lawfully adopted successor orders and animal regulations, and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to enforce the Order, and any lawfully adopted successor orders and animal regulations, within the jurisdictional areas of the Village of Vinton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VINTON, TEXAS as follows:

Section 1. The Village of Vinton hereby adopts the October 24, 2016 El Paso County Animal Regulations Order of the El Paso County Commissioner's Court, and any lawfully adopted successor orders and animal regulations, and makes its provisions

applicable within the incorporated limits of the Village of Vinton. A copy of the Order is attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

Section 2. The Village of Vinton authorizes the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to enforce the Order, and any lawfully adopted successor orders and animal regulations, including additional municipal animal regulations adopted by the Village of Vinton which are consistent therewith, within the jurisdictional areas of the Village of Vinton.

Section 3. For purposes of Chapter 826, Texas Health and Safety Code, the individual or entity designated by the County of El Paso to serve as its local rabies control authority is also designated to serve as the local rabies control authority for the Village of Vinton.

Section 4. Any citations issued for the violation of a municipal animal regulation will be filed in the Village of Vinton Municipal Court.

Section 5. This ordinance supersedes all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

Section 6. Nothing herein prevents the Village of Vinton from adopting additional municipal animal control regulations not inconsistent with the October 24, 2016 El Paso County Animal Regulations Order of the El Paso County Commissioner's Court, and any lawfully adopted successor orders and animal regulations.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect upon its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 6 day of June, 2017.




Manuel Leos, Mayor

Attest:



Jessica Garza, Village Administrator

Approved as to Form:



Shane A. English, Village Attorney